

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 1-48, without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims as follows:

49. An optical scanner for reading indicia having parts of different light reflectivity, comprising:

a) an optical assembly for producing a plurality of light beams of different wavelengths; and

b3 b) a scan pattern generator, including a wavelength selector for selecting a first of the beams to produce a first scan pattern, and for selecting a second of the beams to produce a second scan pattern, the scan patterns having a different number of scan lines, and the scan pattern generator being operative for scanning the selected scan pattern over the indicia to be read.

2 50. The scanner according to claim 49¹, wherein the optical assembly includes a plurality of lasers for producing the light beams as laser beams.

3 51. The scanner according to claim 50², wherein the first laser beam has a wavelength of 670 nm, and wherein the second laser beam has a wavelength of 630 nm.

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